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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b)

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Sir:

In reply to the issues raised by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed 11 August 2004, regarding the Information Disclosure Statement filed 22 March 2004, Applicants' herewith submit on Form PTO/SB/08A the four foreign patents and patent publications and copies of each of the foreign patents and patent publications in their entirety. The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a prima facie prior art reference against the claims of the present application.

Applicants are submitting herewith abstracts in English of the two Japanese patents and a concise statement of the relevance of each of these patents to the present application as follows.

Document D5 relates to a composition for alleviating invasion and promoting wound treatment comprising an antioxidant, a metabolic auxiliary factor containing Vitamin B1, B2, B6 and niacin and/or pantothenic acid, a cell growth promotion factor composed of folic acid, Vitamin B12 and/or Vitamin A, a zinc-containing nucleic acid and protein synthesis auxiliary factor

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Document D6 relates to a composition composed of a fructose containing sweetener, Vitamin A, Vitamin B1, Vitamin B2, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B12, Vitamin C, Vitamin D, Vitamin E, niacin, calcium pantothate, folic acid, L-isoleucine, sodium L-glutamate, L-theonine, royal jelly and caffeine.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08A be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

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Respectfully submitted,

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